

## 2 Samuel 5

Verses 1 – 5

Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, “Behold, we are your bone and your flesh. <sup>2</sup> Previously, when Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel out and in. And the Lord said to you, ‘You will shepherd My people Israel, and you will be a leader over Israel.’” <sup>3</sup> So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them before the Lord in Hebron; then they anointed David king over Israel. <sup>4</sup> David was thirty years old when he became king, *and* he reigned for forty years. <sup>5</sup> At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned for thirty-three years over all Israel and Judah.

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When it says all the tribes came it means the elders of each tribe (verse 3).

<sup>5</sup> At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned for thirty-three years over all Israel and Judah.

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2nd Samuel Timeline

Ch.	Event	Year
2	David King over Judah	1010
2	Who is ruling Israel (Northern tribes)?	1010 - 1005
2	Ish-bosheth king over Israel	1005
2	War between Abner and Joab	
3	Joab murders Abner	
4	Murder of Ish-bosheth	1003
5	David king over Israel	1003
6	Ark brought to Jerusalem	1000

David was 30 years old when he became king of Judah and 37 or 38 when he became king of Israel. His path to the kingship was a long and winding road.

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Event	Begin	Ended	Years	Age
David is born	1038			
David killed Goliath	1022			16
He was part of Saul's administration	1023	1020	3	17 - 20
Hunted by Saul and lived with a band of 600 outcasts	1020	1010	10	20 - 30
King of Judah	1010	1003	7 1/2	30 - 37
King of Israel	1003	970	32 1/2	37 - 70

Verses 6 – 10

**<sup>6</sup> Now the king and his men went to Jerusalem against the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land; and they said to David, “You shall not come in here, but *even* those who are blind and those who limp will turn you away,” thinking, “David cannot enter here.” <sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, David captured the stronghold of Zion, that is, the city of David. <sup>8</sup> And David said on that day, “Whoever strikes the Jebusites is to reach those who limp and those who are blind, who are hated by David’s soul, through the water tunnel.” For that reason they say, “People who are blind and people who limp shall not come into the house.” <sup>9</sup> So David lived in the stronghold, and called it the city of David. And David built all around from the Millo and inward. <sup>10</sup> David became greater and greater, for the Lord God of armies was with him.**

**<sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, David captured the stronghold of Zion, that is, the city of David.**

**<sup>8</sup> And David said on that day, “Whoever strikes the Jebusites..... is to reach those through the water tunnel.”**

Somehow David found out that the city had a protected water supply but Joab was the one who captured the city by entering through the hidden tunnel.

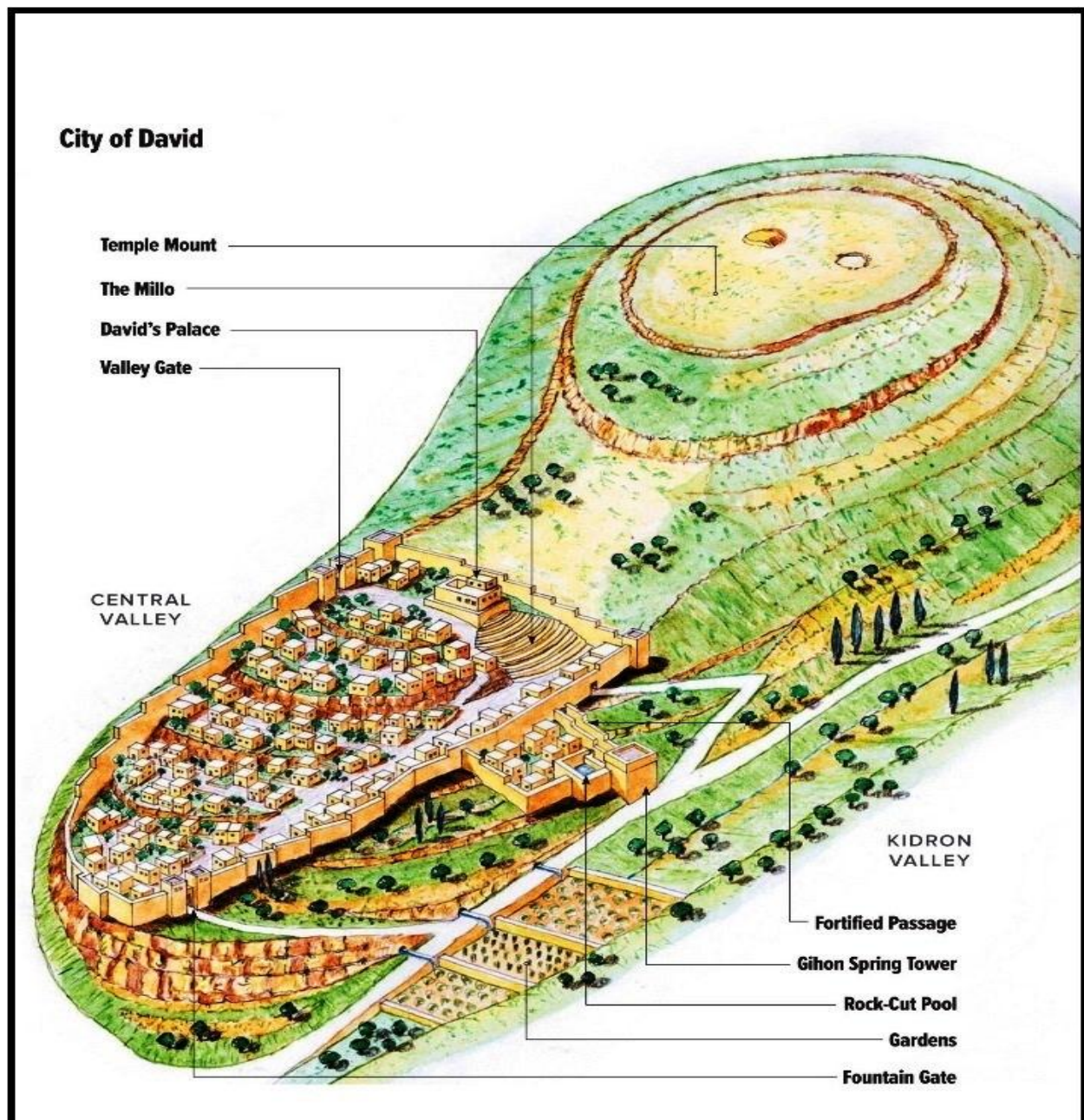
See 1 Chronicles 11:4

**<sup>6</sup> Now David had said, “Whoever is first to kill a Jebusite shall be chief and commander.” Joab the son of Zeruiah went up first, so he became chief.**

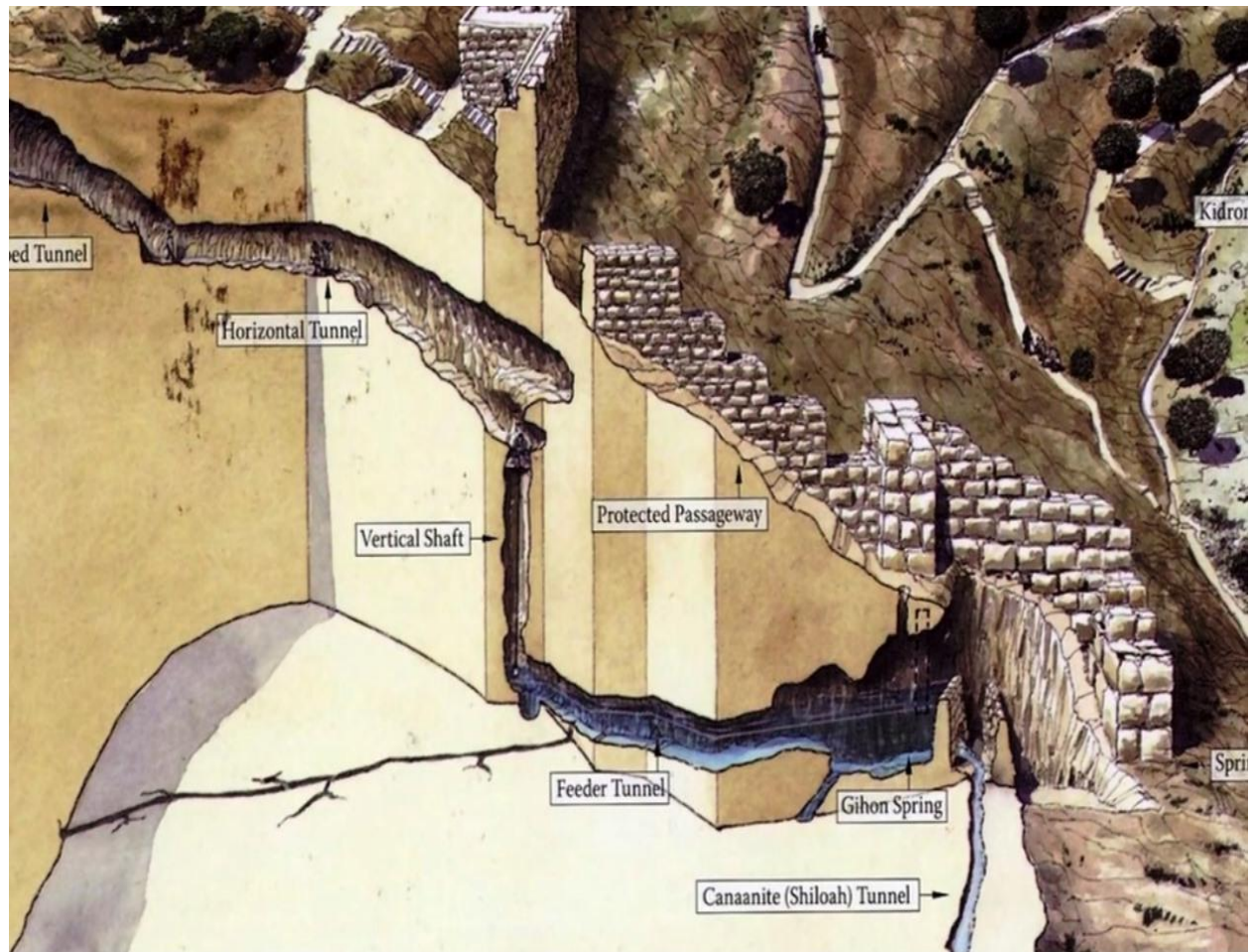
Joab was the hero of the story and he was reinstated as the commander of the army.

Here are a few pics and a video to help visualize what Joab had to do.

See Map 515 The City of David



See Pic 520 The water shaft



The video helps explain what Joab went thru to capture the city.

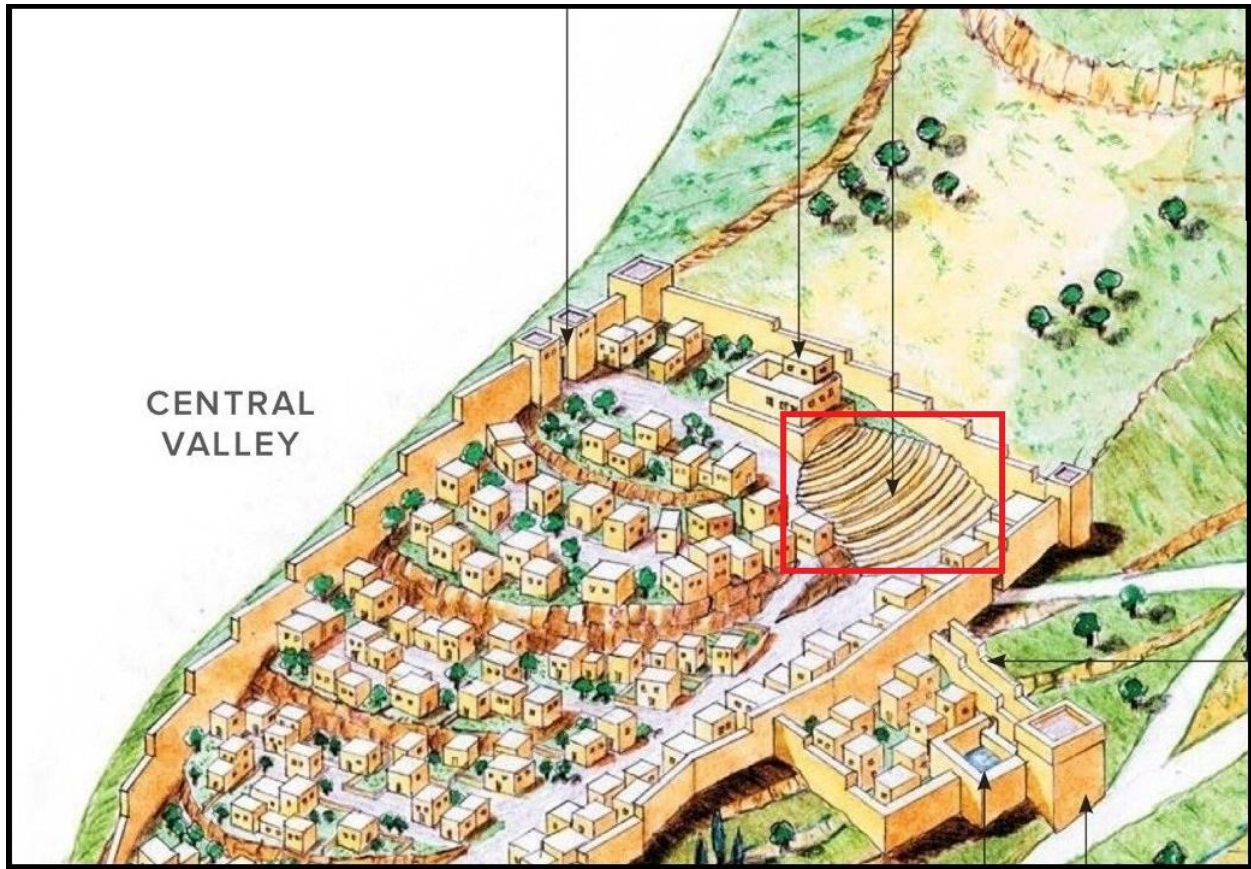
See Video 525 Video 8.37 City of David and the watershaft

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**<sup>9</sup> So David lived in the stronghold, and called it the city of David. And David built all around from the Millo and inward. <sup>10</sup> David became greater and greater, for the Lord God of armies was with him.**

The most common assumption is that the Millo is a Stepped Stone Structure. It may have been a rampart built by the Jebusites for defensive purposes. It was then built up and reinforced by David.

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Verses 11 – 12

**<sup>11</sup> Then Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David with cedar trees, carpenters, and stonemasons; and they built a house for David. <sup>12</sup> And David realized that the Lord had appointed him as king over Israel, and that He had exalted his kingdom for the sake of His people Israel.**

David made an alliance with Hiram king of Tyre to build him a house of cedar. Cedar wood is hostile to all kinds of insects and can last for more than 150 years.

God richly blessed David but the blessings were directed toward the people of Israel. And God's purpose in blessing Israel was to bless all of mankind.

When one considers that Psalm 22 was written by David (1010 to 970 BC) and there are over 20 specific details concerning how Jesus would die, comments that would be made by the crowd, and things the soldiers would do, this can only come about by Divine revelation. This was written down 1,000 years before Jesus died on the cross.

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Count	Verse	Prophecy
1	1	My God, my God, why have You forsaken me?
2	6	A disgrace of mankind and despised by the people.
3	7	All who see me deride me;
4	7	They sneer, they shake their heads, saying,
5	8	Turn him over to the Lord; let Him save him;
6	8	Let Him rescue him, because He delights in him.”
7	12	Many bulls have surrounded me;
8	13	They open their mouths wide at me,
9	14	I am poured out like water,
10	14	And all my bones are out of joint;
11	14	My heart is like wax;
12	14	It is melted within me.
13	15	My strength is dried up like a piece of pottery,
14	15	And my tongue clings to my jaws;
15	16	For dogs have surrounded me;
16	16	A band of evildoers has encompassed me;
17	16	They pierced my hands and my feet.
18	17	I can count all my bones.
19	17	They look, they stare at me;
20	18	They divide my garments among them,
21	18	And they cast lots for my clothing.

Verses 13 – 16

<sup>13</sup> **Meanwhile David took more concubines and wives from Jerusalem, after he came from Hebron; and more sons and daughters were born to David.** <sup>14</sup> **Now these are the names of those who were born to him in Jerusalem: Shammua, Shobab, Nathan, Solomon,** <sup>15</sup> **Ibhar, Elishua, Nepheg, Japhia,** <sup>16</sup> **Elishama, Eliada, and Eliphelet.**

God had warned that the kings of Israel should not have many wives.

See Deuteronomy 17:17

<sup>17</sup> **And he shall not acquire many wives for himself, so that his heart does not turn away; nor shall he greatly increase silver and gold for himself.**

In all, David had 19 sons with about 10 wives and other sons with an unknown number of concubines. How many daughters do you suppose he had?

See chart 540 and 545

These *sons* were born to David in Hebron.

Num.	Child	Mother	Background
1	Amnon	Ahinoam	the Jezreelitess
2	Chileab	Abigail	the widow of Nabal the Carmelite
3	Absalom	Maacah	the daughter of Talmai, king of Geshur
4	Adonijah	Haggith	?
5	Shephatiah	Abital	?
6	Ithream	Eglah	?

These *sons* were born to David in Jerusalem.

Num.	Child	Mother	Background
1	Shimea	Bath-shua	former wife of Uriah the Hittite
2	Shobab	Bath-shua	former wife of Uriah the Hittite
3	Nathan	Bath-shua	former wife of Uriah the Hittite
4	Solomon	Bath-shua	former wife of Uriah the Hittite
5	Ibhar	?	?
6	Elishama	?	?
7	Eliphelet	?	?
8	Nogah	?	?
9	Nepheg	?	?
10	Japhia	?	?
11	Elishama	?	?
12	Eliada	?	?
13	Eliphelet	?	?

?	sons	Concubines	?
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Verses 17 – 21

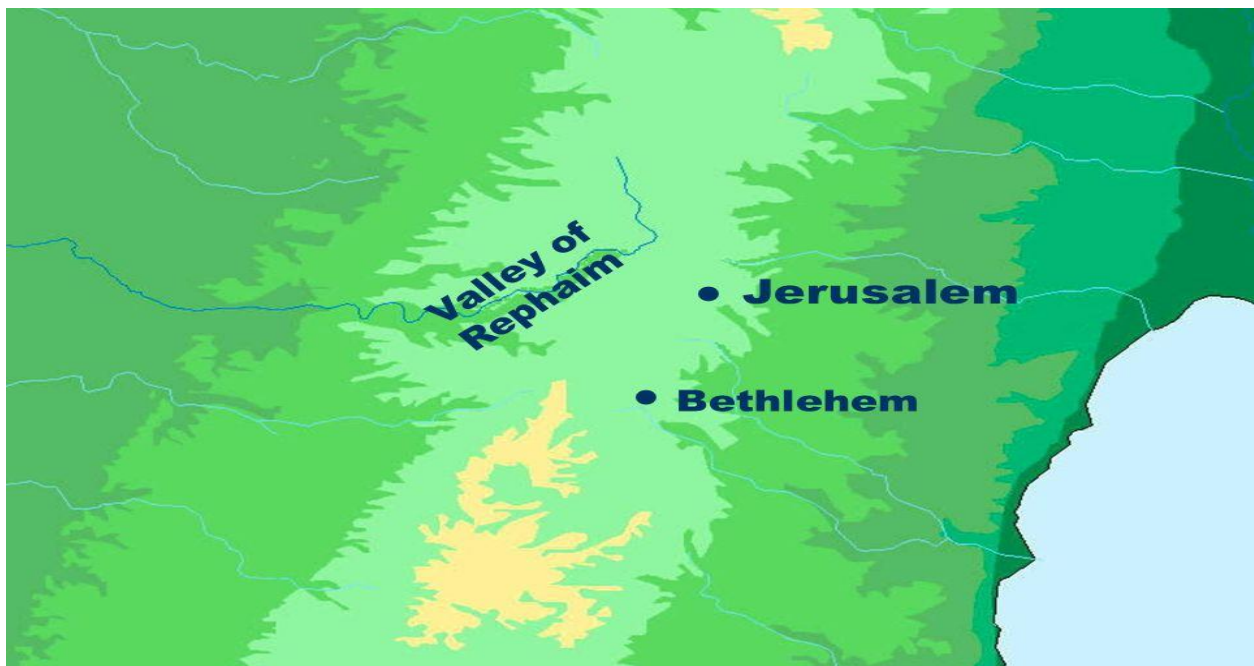
**<sup>17</sup> Now when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek out David; and when David heard *about it*, he went down to the stronghold. <sup>18</sup> Now the Philistines came and overran the Valley of Rephaim. <sup>19</sup> So David inquired of the Lord, saying, “Shall I go up against the Philistines? Will You hand them over to me?” And the Lord said to David, “Go up, for I will certainly hand the Philistines over to you.” <sup>20</sup> Then David came to Baal-perazim and defeated them there; and he said, “The Lord has broken through my enemies before me like the breakthrough of waters.” Therefore he named that place Baal-perazim. <sup>21</sup> And *the Philistines* abandoned their idols there, so David and his men carried them away.**

**<sup>17</sup> Now when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek out David; and when David heard *about it*, he went down to the stronghold.**

A stronghold was an outpost where armed men were stationed to be the first line of defense against any enemies that might try to attack the city.

**<sup>18</sup> Now the Philistines came and overran the Valley of Rephaim.**

See Map 550





**<sup>19</sup> So David inquired of the Lord, saying, “Shall I go up against the Philistines? Will You hand them over to me?” And the Lord said to David, “Go up, for I will certainly hand the Philistines over to you.”**

David made it a habit to consult the Lord before he went into battle.

**<sup>20</sup> Then David came to Baal-perazim and defeated them there**

The location of this place is uncertain.

**<sup>21</sup> And *the Philistines* abandoned their idols there, so David and his men carried them away.**

For some reason David and his men carried them away to another location before they burned them.

See 1 Chronicles 14:12

**<sup>12</sup> They abandoned their gods there; so David gave the order and they were burned with fire.**

This was commanded in Deuteronomy 7:25

**<sup>25</sup> The carved images of their gods you are to burn with fire; you shall not covet the silver or the gold that is on them, nor take it for yourselves, or you will be trapped by it; for it is an abomination to the Lord your God.**

Verses 22 – 25

**<sup>22</sup> Now the Philistines came up once again and overran the Valley of Rephaim.**

**<sup>23</sup> So David inquired of the Lord, but He said, “You shall not go *directly* up; circle around behind them and come at them in front of the baka-shrubs. <sup>24</sup> And it shall be, when you hear the sound of marching in the tops of the baka-shrubs, then you shall act promptly, for then the Lord will have gone out before you to strike the army of the Philistines.” <sup>25</sup> Then David did so, just as the Lord had commanded him; he struck and killed the Philistines from Geba as far as Gezer.**

<sup>22</sup> Now the Philistines came up once again and overran the Valley of Rephaim.

The Philistines spread out in the same valley as before. Perhaps they did this hoping that David would attack from the same direction because they had developed a new strategy that would reverse the outcome of the first attack.

<sup>23</sup> So David inquired of the Lord, but He said, “You shall not go *directly* up; circle around behind them and come at them in front of the baka-shrubs.

When David and his men came from the opposite direction it completely nullified the new offensive of the Philistines.

<sup>25</sup> Then David did so, just as the Lord had commanded him; he struck and killed the Philistines from Geba as far as Gezer.

See Map 505

